

I HAVE NOT passed the CW or Morse code test (Element 1), yet. I believe that this requirement should be retained and I urge you to do so. CW, this so-called antiquated means of communication, allows communications in emergencies when conditions are poor and also allows hams to communicate long distances during difficult conditions. The examination is not difficult at only five words per minute and well within the capability of almost anyone, including the handicapped when permitted accommodations are used. Persons who lack the initiative to learn CW are unlikely to have the initiative to operate in accordance with good engineering and good amateur practice.

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